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DATE 0332Z 08 NOV 62

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FROM :

ACTION: OSA (1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10)

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NO NIGHT ACTION

PARA 3 FOR 121

1. AIRCRAFT NUMBER THREE MADE FLIGHT NUMBER 11 FOR ONE HOUR PLUS 48 MINUTES, ON 7 NOV 62. PILOT SCHALK. TAKE OFF 1230 HOURS [] AT 85,000 POUNDS WITH CG 21.2 PERCENT. AB TAKE OFF AND CLIMB TO 30,000 FEET, INTERCEPTED MACH .90 DURING CLIMB AND HELD FOR DURATION OF FLIGHT. PURPOSE OF FLIGHT TO CHECK OUT EK PACKAGE. TARGETS NOT VISIBLE TO PILOT ON MACKERAL SO PILOT TOOK PICTURES OF [] AND RETURNED TO HOME PLATE WHERE EIGHT RUNS WERE MADE OVER THE [] FOCUS WAS CHANGED AFTER EACH PASS. PILOT THEN RETURNED TO [] AND MADE ONE PASS WITH FOCUS SET AT PREDICTED OPTIMUM. RETURNED TO HOME BASE, NORMAL LANDING AND GOOD CHUTE. APPARENTLY PACKAGE WORKED AND MATERIALS IN PROCESS THIS TIME.

2. ADDED COMMENTS: ORIGINAL TAKE OFF SCHEDULED FOR 1030 HOURS AREA TIME FOR INS CHECK AS WELL AS EK PACKAGE. INS ACTIVITY DELETED FROM SCHEDULE JUST PRIOR TO SCHEDULED TAKE OFF TIME DUE NUMBER THREE INVERTER FAILURE AND NEED FOR AT LEAST TWO HOUR DELAY

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TO RESTABALIZE INS PLATFORM. DELAY WOULD HAVE PUT SUN IN WRONG POSITION SO DECISION MADE TO DELETE THAT PORTION IN ORDER TO SAVE SCHEDULED EK ACTIVITY.

3. NO FLYING SCHEDULED FOR TOMORROW. AIRCRAFT NUMBER ONE UNDERGOING SPIKE RESCHEDULING ON J-58 ENGINE PLUS NEW BRAKES AND WHEELS. AIRCRAFT NUMBER THREE IN GENERAL WORK PLUS INS AND PE WORK. FRIDAY SCHEDULE UNKNOWN. SATURDAY LOOKS LIKE ANOTHER BUSY DAY. LAC NOT OBSERVING HOLIDAY ON MONDAY 12 NOV WHICH WILL BE NORMAL WORK DAY HERE EXCEPT FOR []

4. DELAY IN TARGETS ON [] DUE PUNCTURING OIL PAN ON CAR WHILE CREW ENROUTE TO []. SECURITY FLIGHT REPORTED SOME EQUIPMENT AND PEOPLE []. THIS A.M. STATUS REPORT WILL BE FURNISHED AS SOON AS MORE UP TO DATE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE.

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